

Common Council.

Common Council Chamber, Owosso, Mich., Aug. 15, 1909.
Regular meeting of common council with Mayor A. M. Hume presiding.
Aldermen present at roll call, Gould, Pierpont, McLean, Curry, Jordan, Palmer, Walsh, and Washburn.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as read.
Ald. Curry presented the following petition and moved it be referred to the committee on lighting. It was so referred.
To the Honorable Mayor and Common Council of the City of Owosso:

We the undersigned residents of Cornua Avenue do hereby respectfully petition you most honorable body to cause an electric street light to be placed at the corner of Garfield and Cornua Avenue and your petitioners will ever pray. Samuel Forsyth and 16 others.

The following claims and accounts were presented and upon motion were referred to the committee on claims and accounts.
From Contingent Fund—Geo. Wiggins \$30.00, W. H. Smith 11.00, same 6.00, H. W. Mann, 2.10, Frank Green 3.40, James Doyle 7.00, Owosso Press Co., 4.00.

Fire Dept. Fund—Mrs. Minnie L. Smith 4.00, Owosso Fire Dept. 21.00, S. S. Jones 19.84, John Ashford 10.00, J. J. Conner, same 3.00, Shawassee Iron & Engine Works 11.00, S. T. Sewall 2.75, J. H. Hall 9.00, Will Marvin 5.05, Dell Butts 7.00, Wm. Scott 5.00, A. W. Holmes 1.64, H. Wesener 2.75.

Sidewalk Fund—H. A. Noble 1.50, Mrs. M. A. Buckmaster 2.00, J. W. Earle 7.20, Niles Wiggins 1.75, G. T. Campbell 2.50, W. D. Burke 2.50, D. Wyckoff 2.50, Alex Young 1.45, A. E. Palmer 6.00, T. J. Conner 14.00, A. W. Holmes 1.64, H. Wesener 2.75.

From Water Works Fund—J. S. Hunt 9.00, Thos. Atkinson 7.50, Am. Ex. Co. 60c, C. H. Belmont 7c, J. L. Ash 1.00, same 1.00.
Light Fund—Owosso Gas Light Co. 40c.

The committee on claims and accounts reported favorably on accounts as above presented. Unanimous consent being given the same were allowed and the clerk was directed to draw orders for the same as the various funds would allow. Ayes 8, nays 0.

Ald. Walsh reported that the bridge of Frederick street and the bridge over the Shawassee on Oliver street needed repairing, and moved the street commissioner be directed to make such repairs; motion prevailed.

Ald. McLean offered a resolution and moved its adoption. The committee moved the resolution be amended, which prevailed.
The resolution as follows was adopted:
Resolved, by the Common Council of the city of Owosso that the city engineer be and is hereby instructed to be at his office at the city hall, Monday and Saturday of each week from 8 o'clock a. m. till 9 o'clock p. m. until Sept. 10, '09, and every day from Sept. 10 to Sept. 15, to receive July taxes.

Ald. Gould presented the following resolution and moved its adoption; motion prevailed.
Resolved that the street commissioner be instructed to notify all parties engaged in building sidewalks in the city to place lights during darkness at all walks being constructed and continue said lights as long as the walks are closed.

Ald. Pierpont stated that the water escaping from the Ann Arbor water tank near Washington street had been complained of. The matter was referred to the committee on streets and sidewalks.

The Owosso & Cornua Electric Co. was by motion directed to repair the lights at the corner of Washington and Ridge streets, corner of King and Hickory, and King and Dewey streets, and the light on West Oliver street near the residence of Albert West.

Ald. Jordan moved the marshal have the blankets belonging to the city jail washed and laid away for future use; motion prevailed.
The resignation of Marshal Lovell was presented and upon motion was accepted; ayes 9, nays 0.

The resignation of Officer Dell was presented and upon motion was accepted; ayes 9, nays 0.
The mayor appointed 2 H. Ross as marshal; the appointment was confirmed; ayes, Pierpont, McLean, Curry, Jordan, Palmer, Walsh and Washburn, 7, nays 0.

The mayor announced the appointment of L. Alderton as night watch; the appointment was confirmed; ayes, Pierpont, Curry, Jordan, Palmer, Walsh and Washburn, 6, nays 0.

The mayor announced the appointment of Geo. Griffin as night watch. The appointment was confirmed; ayes, Pierpont, McLean, Curry, Jordan, Palmer, Walsh and Washburn, 7, nays 0.

Upon motion council adjourned.
JOHN L. ASH, City Clerk.

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Grotto, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, coughs and colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God, I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at W. E. Collins & Co. drug store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00. Guaranteed or price refunded.

To Keep Ribbons Smooth.

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Three men named Alnsworth and a boy named Hall were struck by a west-bound express at Canastota, N. Y., and were instantly killed. They were crossing the Central tracks when the express, running at a high rate of speed, struck them, throwing them into the air and crushing them to death.

The suspicious disease which broke out at Oporto, Portugal, recently has become epidemic. Its symptoms are identical with those of the bubonic plague. The doctors disagree as to its precise character, but admit that it must be allied to the dreaded eastern malady. Sanitation and the water supply there are bad and the wildest rumors are current. The authorities, however, are taking energetic measures.

Word received from Leghorn, Italy, says Admiral Dewey is ill with fever on board the flagship Olympia at that place.

What Not to Say.

Do not say, "I can't eat." Take Hood's Sarsaparilla and say "I am hungry all the time, and food never hurts me."

Never say to your friends that you are as tired in the morning as at night. If they happen to be sharp they will tell you Hood's Sarsaparilla cures that tired feeling.

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Burglar's Crime at Constantine.

The village of Constantine was stirred on the morning of the 11th by the report of the murder of the night watchman, Edward A. Cranston. About 1:30 in the morning Cranston discovered a burglar near the postoffice. A struggle ensued, Cranston receiving a bullet under his left arm, which passed through his heart, causing instant death. Several people in the vicinity heard some one say, "don't shoot," and then heard a faint shot, the sound of some one being dragged across the sidewalk, and heard a man running down the alley. Those who realized that there was trouble went to the scene of the shooting but saw no one and heard nothing more. Later the murdered man's body was found in an alley a short distance from where the shooting took place. In making his escape the would-be burglar lost his watch, which has been identified as the property of Will Hamner, an optician of the village. Bloodhounds followed the trail to Hamner's house, but he denies all knowledge of the terrible affair.

Held Up, Robbed and Carved.

Peter Cool, a Mendon butcher, who peddles meat in Nottawa and Wasepi, was held up about one mile north of Nottawa and robbed by two men on the 9th, who used knives in forcing their victim to give up his money. As Cool was passing a strip of woods, two men rushed out, one of them grabbing the horse and the other pulling him out of the meat wagon. Cool fought hard, but was no match for the two men, who used knives as persuaders and carved Mr. Cool quite badly before he surrendered.

Man and Wife Terribly Whipped.

Peter Larsen and wife, of Lee township, Midland county, started a suit for damages at Midland on the 12th by swearing out warrants for 11 of their neighbors charging them with assault. It is charged that some time in April a party composed of the 11 for whom warrants were issued and others went to Larsen's house and took him and his wife out and gave them a terrible whipping with blue beech whips. The reason for whipping them is the alleged actions of Mrs. Larsen.

Rejoicing at Benton Harbor.

Since the burning of Yore's opera house, three years ago, Benton Harbor has been praying for a play house, and now the city is rejoicing. On the 14th a franchise was granted for the construction of an electric road to connect the various resorts about the city, and as soon as it was given the promoters of the road surprised the aldermen by showing the plans of a \$25,000 opera house that they have arranged to build there.

State Tax Commission at Work.

The State tax commission held a meeting at Lansing on the 15th to consider measures regarding the collection of necessary data from assessors of every county to better facilitate the work of the commission. A circular letter has been prepared, asking for such information as is required, and this will soon be followed by full set of blanks which are now in the hands of the printer.

Can Hello With Boston.

The Michigan Bell Telephone company has unloaded 80,000 pounds of copper wire at Lansing, which will be strung between that city and Bay City along the Michigan Central railroad. This is the connecting link of the long distance wire between the east and the upper peninsula, and when completed Calumet can hello with Boston, Mass.

STATE GOSSIP.

Holland is likely to have a stove factory before long.

Columbiaville is to have electric street lights before long.

Work on Marine City's new elevator has been commenced.

Grand Rapids coal dealers say that hard coal will sell for \$7 per ton in the fall.

A Chicago firm with a capital of \$250,000 will build a match factory at Lansing.

Food Commissioner Grosvenor has begun a pure food campaign in the upper peninsula.

Fifty-eight pioneers died in Kalamazoo county during the past year, at an average of 78 years.

The Calhoun county fair will be held at Marshall, Oct. 3-6. The premium list is unusually generous.

Rep. Fleischauer was fined \$5.10 for riding on the sidewalk with his bicycle at Reed City. There are others.

An apple tree's roots so badly damaged the wall under J. W. Higley's house at Lapeer that it will have to be rebuilt.

Police Officer Bob Humes, of Marquette, who was shot by thugs, may recover. His assailants are yet at liberty.

Ionia has sold its \$30,000 of 3 1/2 per cent 20-year water bonds to Dennison, Prior & Co., of Cleveland, at par and \$50 premium.

While at a dance at Ingalls, Menominee county, Mrs. Alonzo Baker fell dead from fright during a drunken brawl, which occurred on the floor.

The discovery of valuable marl beds near the village of Clarkson has created considerable excitement. A company has offered to locate a \$500,000 cement factory there if suitable banks of clay can be found. On the 13th every man who owned a spade was out digging for clay.

Three cold Sundays in succession, each day with a lively snow, has cut down County Clerk Needham's matrimonial run from Chicago at St. Joseph.

On the 13th, notwithstanding the brisk northwester, 10,000 people visited the city, and Clark Needham furnished affidavits for 19 weddings.

Ten farmers in the vicinity of Williamston, Ingham county, own 4,600 acres of land and have on hand 3,540 sheep, 2,620 head of cattle and 1,190 hogs.

The Postal Telegraph Co. will construct lines along the route of the Columbus, Marshall & Northeastern railroad, which will run from Marshall to Charlotte.

Nathan Tinker Draper, of Grand Rapids, claims to be the oldest man in Michigan. He shows documents which prove that on Sept. 6 next he will be 106 years old.

The Rapid Railway Co. have begun laying steel between Chesterfield and Mt. Clemens. Work on the new power house at New Baltimore is progressing as fast as possible.

The Detroit, Plymouth & Northville Electric railway will be in operation to Northville by Sept. 1, and on that date the town will hold a celebration in honor of the event.

Although the strangling bug has been denounced as a fake, an insect which corresponds exactly with the description of the famous bug, was caught at Mason recently.

A special election which was held at Cheboygan for the purpose of bonding the city for \$25,000 for public improvements, resulted in a 95 per cent majority in favor of bonding.

N. W. Harris & Co., of Chicago, suing St. Joseph for \$5,000 damages because that city rescinded its action after accepting the firm's offer for an issue of \$50,000 worth of bonds.

Bicycle thieves are busy in Jackson. Seven wheels have been stolen within a week. One thief sold a wheel to an unsuspecting person while the owner stood by with his back turned.

The Globe house, an old landmark at Ionia, was destroyed by fire on the 15th. It has long been an eyesore to the inhabitants of the city, and its destruction did not cause any weeping.

The farmers of Montmorency county are turning their attention to sheep raising, and it will soon be an important industry in that county. They will go into the business a large scale.

Mabel Misener, aged 12 years, while riding on a bicycle at Lapeer, rode between the front legs of a horse. The animal reared and the girl passed safely under it. She escaped with a slight scalp wound.

A thief recently stole a pair of socks from a clothesline at Muskegon and later took the hammock. He became conscience stricken and returned the hammock, keeping the socks, saying that he needed them.

Lars Atrup, ex-sheriff of Menominee county, and his brother, Harold Atrup, of Fisher, have been notified that they have fallen heirs to a legacy of 400,000 crowns, equivalent to over \$100,000, by the death of a rich uncle in Norway.

Walter Bastedo, aged 15 years, and Myrtle Demain, aged 13 years, were married at Pontiac last week. Bastedo gave his age as 20 and that of the girl as 18. Bastedo's father, who lives at Seymour Lake, has had the couple arrested.

A Pipestone man tried to shoot a dog in the road recently, but his shot struck a little son of a neighbor. The injury to the boy was slight, but it cost the shooter \$400 to square matters with the youngster's father for his bad marksmanship.

When residents of Northville become disgusted with the appearance of some rookery in the village, the people living on the street upon which it stands club together and purchase the building. Then they have it torn down and burn the lumber.

Hillsdale county people are congratulating themselves that they built their new courthouse when they did. It cost \$45,000, but now, it is estimated, it couldn't be matched for less than \$60,000, owing to the great advance in all kinds of building materials.

Rural mail delivery has been established at Grass Lake and will go into operation September 1. The postoffice at Sharonville has been discontinued and the mail will be distributed daily to all residents within a radius of 15 miles east and south of Grass Lake.

While leading two cows to pasture Rev. S. A. Bauer, living a mile north of Monroe, became entangled in the rope and was dragged by the frightened animals against a barbed wire fence. His right eye was nearly gouged out and his left ear nearly severed. He is 70 years of age, but his recovery is hoped for.

Workmen in a Bancroft lumber yard while moving a pile of lumber on the 10th made a remarkable discovery. Between two piles of lumber lay a sack and on investigating they found a newly-born dead babe. The men went to the office to report the same and while absent the same was taken away by some unknown party.

Branch county is having an epidemic of wife and family desertion on the part of worthless husbands. In the past month four men have been jailed on this charge, the last case being that of Chas. Smead. He is one of the brothers, who, in the winter of 1898, deserted their young wives leaving them each with a young babe and entirely destitute.

Workmen on the new sewerage system at Marshall struck a heavy vein of limestone while excavating a ditch 14 feet deep on the property of the Folding Bath Tub Co. Civil Engineer Courtright says the rock will produce a very fine quality of lime. An analysis of the rock will be made and if found in sufficient quantities another industry will be started there.

A pair of large hawks carried off over 100 young turkeys and chickens from farmers in the Whigville district in northeastern Oakland county, and so far have outwitted all shotgun attempts at their annihilation.

NEWSY GENERALITIES

ITEMS GATHERED FROM ALL DIRECTIONS.

Great Britain is Making Preparations to Force a Settlement of the Transvaal Difficulties if Necessary—Mexicans are Preparing to Fight the Indians.

Britannia Fear a Conflict.

While the members of parliament and officials present in the house of commons at the prorogation of parliament at London on the 9th, express hope of a peaceful settlement of the Transvaal difficulties, it was evident that an uneasy apprehension was prevalent that an autumn session might be necessary to vote war supplies. Mr. Chamberlain says: "We recognize the grievances of the outlanders and have said that these grievances are not merely themselves a serious cause for interposition, but are a source of danger to the whole of South Africa. We say our predominance is menaced by the action of the Transvaal in refusing to redress the grievances or give consideration to requests hitherto put in the most moderate language of a sovereign power. We say that this state of things cannot be tolerated. We have put our hands to the plow and won't draw back. With that statement I propose to rest content."

Transport a Exciting Trip.

The U. S. Transport Centennial arrived at San Francisco from Manila on the 13th, after a very exciting round trip. She narrowly missed a couple of typhoons, was ashore on a coral reef, where the entire crew barely escaped capture at the hands of the Filipinos; one of the sailors was killed by a parting hawser and one of the quarter-masters was stabbed by a colored cook. Because of the stabbing Charles Wilson, of the Centennial's galley staff, arrived here in irons, while Herman Breyer, the transport's quartermaster, must go to a hospital. During the lightning process, necessary to get the Centennial off the reef near Manila, on her outward trip, a quantity of government stores to the value of \$15,000 had to be jettisoned, and were eagerly appropriated by the Filipinos, who swarmed about the reef and made more than one attack for the purpose of capturing the vessel and crew.

Government Buys Land From Indians.

Government commissioners have effected an agreement with the Crow Indians which will become a treaty when ratified by congress. The subject has been under consideration for months against formidable opposition. About 1,000,000 acres of land will be purchased on the northern end of Crow reservation from Fort Custer to Yellowstone river, and from Pryor creek to the eastern boundary of the reservation, embracing the lower Big Horn and other smaller streams in Montana. This leaves the Crows 2,500,000 acres and will make them independent in time and furnish homes for thousands of civilized people. The price to be paid is about \$1 per acre in payments. Considerable land is arable, but most of it is excellent for grazing and timber. The Northern Pacific runs along the northern border and the Burlington diagonally through it from east to west.

Must Fight in Case of War.

The London Daily Mail published a dispatch from Johannesburg which says that by a special article added to the grandwet (the constitution of the Transvaal) the president is authorized, in the event of war, rebellion, or other emergency, to proclaim martial law and to compel every inhabitant of the republic to bear arms in its defense. The Pretoria forts are being strengthened and Boer agents are buying up all the available draught oxen in Ceehuanaaland, and a gloomy view of the whole situation is taken by the residents. The general impression in Boer circles is that Mr. Chamberlain is forcing on a war, and that consequently it would be futile to make advances.

Dreyfus' Counsel Shot.

Two men ambushed Maitre Labori, counsel for Dreyfus, while he was on his way home from the Lycee on the morning of the 14th, and shot him in the back. Labori fell where he was shot and the would-be murderers made their escape. A later story has it that M. Labori was shot in the temple by a man who fired a shot at him outside the court, and that the miscreant was arrested. Labori was still alive at last accounts, but physicians fear he will die from the wound.

Later—Labori's physician now believes he is out of danger.

Natal Farmers Resolve to Fight.

A dispatch from Pietermaritzburg, capital of Natal, says that at a farmers' meeting, called there to consider the defense of the colony, it was resolved that the duty of every loyal, able-bodied colonist, able to rise and shoot, was to aid in the defense of the colony against invasion, and it was announced that the volunteers would be sent to the frontier in the event of war and that the rifle associations would be left to defend their own districts, while the farmers go to the front and show them something.

Another Severe Hailstorm.

A severe hailstorm swept across the northern part of Cass and the southern part of Traill counties, South Dakota, on the 10th. Farms from Casselton and Hunter east to Garner, Grandin and Hillsboro suffered heavy losses. Reports state that 60,000 acres of ripe grain was destroyed. The storm went east into Minnesota. A small percentage in the storm area had been harvested. Telegraphic reports of the storm in Eddy county state that 40,000 acres of crops have been destroyed there.

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Mr. H. E. Thompson, of Milledgeville, Ga., writes: "A bad case of Scrofula broke out on the glands of my neck, which had to be lanced and caused me much suffering. I was treated for a long while, but the physicians were unable to cure me, and my condition was as bad as when I began their treatment. Many blood remedies were used, but without effect. Some one recommended S. S. S., and I began to improve as soon as I had taken a few bottles. Continuing the remedy, I was soon cured permanently, and have never had a sign of the disease to return." Swift's Specific—

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